

§ 417.808 Interim per capita payments.

The HCPP follows the principles specified in §§ 417.570 and 417.572 on interim per capita payments, except for the following:

(a) When applying these principles to HCPPs, the term “reporting period” should be used instead of the term “contract period” contained in that section.

(b) An HCPP must submit to HCFA an annual operating budget and enrollment forecast, in the form and detail specified by HCFA, at least 60 days before the beginning of each reporting period. A reporting period must be 12 consecutive months, except that the HCPP’s initial reporting period for participating in Medicare may be as short as 6 months or as long as 18 months.

(c) An HCPP must submit to HCFA an interim cost report and enrollment data applicable to the first 6-month period of the HCPP’s reporting period in the form and detail specified by HCFA. The interim cost report must be submitted not later than 45 days after the close of the first 6-month period of the HCPP’s reporting period.

(d) In lieu of an interim payment based on the actual monthly enrollment in an HCPP, HCFA and the HCPP may agree to a uniform monthly interim reimbursement rate for a reporting period. This interim rate is based on the HCPP’s budget and enrollment forecast, if HCFA is satisfied that the rate is consistent with efficiency and economy, and will not result in excessive adjustment at the end of the reporting period.

§ 417.810 Final settlement.

(a) *General requirement.* HCFA and an HCPP must make a final settlement, and payment of amounts due either to the HCPP or to HCFA, following the submission and review of the HCPP’s annual cost report and the supporting documents specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) *Annual cost report as basis for final settlement—(1) Form and due date.* An HCPP must submit to HCFA a cost report and supporting documents in the form and detail specified by HCFA, no later than 120 days following the close of a reporting period.

(2) *Contents.* The report must include—

(i) The HCPP’s per capita incurred costs of providing covered Part B services to its Medicare enrollees during the reporting period, including any costs incurred by another organization related to the HCPP by common ownership or control;

(ii) The HCPP’s methods of apportioning costs among its Medicare enrollees, enrollees who are not Medicare beneficiaries, and other nonenrollees, including Medicare beneficiaries receiving health care services on a fee-for-service or other basis; and

(iii) Information on enrollment and other data as specified by HCFA.

(3) *Extension of time to submit cost report.* HCFA may grant an HCPP an extension of time to submit a cost report for good cause shown.

(4) *Failure to report required financial information.* If an HCPP does not submit the required cost report and supporting documents within the time specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, and has not requested and received an extension of time for good cause shown, HCFA may—

(i) Regard the failure to report this information as evidence of likely overpayment and reduce or suspend interim payments to the HCPP; and

(ii) Determine that amounts previously paid are overpayments, and make appropriate recovery.

(c) *Determination of final settlement.* Following the HCPP’s submission of the reports specified in paragraph (b) of this section in acceptable form, HCFA makes a determination of the total reimbursement due the HCPP for the reporting period and the difference, if any, between this amount and the total interim payments made to the HCPP. HCFA sends to the HCPP a notice of the amount of reimbursement by the Medicare program. This notice—

(1) Explains HCFA’s determination of total reimbursement due the HCPP for the reporting period; and

(2) Informs the HCPP of its right to have the determination reviewed at a hearing as provided in part 405, subpart R of this chapter.

(d) *Payment of amounts due.* (1) Within 30 days of HCFA’s determination, HCFA or the HCPP, as appropriate,

will make payment of any difference between the total amount due and the total interim payments made to the HCPP by HCFA.

(2) If the HCPP does not pay HCFA within 30 days of HCFA's determination of any amounts the HCPP owes HCFA, HCFA may offset further payments to the HCPP to recover, or to aid in the recovery of, any overpayment identified in its determination.

(3) Any offset of payments HCFA makes under paragraph (d)(2) of this section will remain in effect even if the HCPP has requested a hearing on the determination under the provisions of part 405, subpart R of this chapter.

(e) *Tentative settlement.* (1) If a final settlement cannot be made within 90 days after the HCPP submits the report specified in paragraph (b) of this section, HCFA will make an interim settlement by estimating the amount payable to the HCPP.

(2) HCFA or the HCPP will make payment within 30 days of HCFA's determination under the tentative settlement of any estimated amounts due.

(3) The tentative settlement is subject to adjustment at the time of a final settlement.

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§ 417.830 Scope of regulations on beneficiary appeals.

Sections 417.832 through 417.840 establish procedures for the presentation and resolution of organization determinations, reconsiderations, hearings, Departmental Appeals Board review, court reviews, and finality of decisions that are applicable to Medicare enrollees of an HCPP.

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§ 417.832 Applicability of requirements and procedures.

(a) The administrative review rights and procedures specified in §§ 417.834 through 417.840 pertain to disputes involving an organization determination, as defined in § 417.838, with which the enrollee is dissatisfied.

(b) Physicians and other individuals who furnish items or services under arrangements with an HCPP have no right of administrative review under §§ 417.834 through 417.840.

(c) The provisions of subpart R of 20 CFR part 404 dealing with representation of parties under title II of the Act are, unless otherwise provided, also applicable.

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§ 417.834 Responsibility for establishing administrative review procedures.

The HCPP is responsible for establishing and maintaining the administrative review procedures that are specified in §§ 417.830 through 417.840.

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§ 417.836 Written description of administrative review procedures.

Each HCPP is responsible for ensuring that all Medicare enrollees are informed in writing of the administrative review procedures that are available to them.

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§ 417.838 Organization determinations.

(a) *Actions that are organization determinations.* For purposes of §§ 417.830 through 417.840, an organization determination is a refusal to furnish or arrange for services, or reimburse the party for services provided to the beneficiary, on the grounds that the services are not covered by Medicare.

(b) *Actions that are not organization determinations.* The following are not organization determinations for purposes of §§ 417.830 through 417.840:

(1) A determination regarding services that were furnished by the HCPP, either directly or under arrangement, for which the enrollee has no further obligation for payment.

(2) A determination regarding services that are not covered under the HCPP's agreement with HCFA.

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